

Subject No. 206.

Fuel discarded as unfit by Railway contractor should be put up to sale.

Summary of discussion.—Fuel discarded as unfit and left in the jungle by the Railway Fuel Contractor should be ordered to be disposed of by sale by auction. This would be profitable to Government and advantageous to the villagers.

The Inspector General of Forests.—The Railway Contractor is allowed certain jungles and pays seigniorage of Rs. 1—8—0 per ton. What has been cut but is unfit for Railway fuel he is allowed to take at 6 annas per cart-load. It cannot all be collected in one place and sold by auction. To sell it by auction as it lies scattered in the jungle will open the door to other peoples' carts entering the jungle and this would lead to constant collision with the Contractor's men and carts.

Dewan's reply.—The proposal is noted for consideration and possible future action in the Forest Department. There are practical difficulties in the way of giving effect to it.

Subject No. 207.

Exemption from seigniorage for poor people fetching dry wood into Towns for sale.

Summary of discussion.—Poor persons fetching dry wood from District Forests and other places for sale in Kasaba Towns may be exempted from paying seigniorage.

Dewan's reply.—This is inexpedient. For *bonâ-fide* use, free fuel is allowed, not for sale and trade. (See also Subject No. 19 *supra*.)

Subject No. 208.

Small patches of Hill sides adjoining land below Tanks enclosed by raiyats for thrashing corn, &c., should be left undisturbed.

Summary of discussion.—Where lands below tanks are on a very low level, the raiyats enclose small patches of neighbouring hill sides for thrashing and stacking their corn and stray thereon. Village officials have been getting these assessed and giving them out for cultivation to persons who keep quiet for one or two years and then trouble the raiyats to quit. This is causing much trouble which should be obviated.

Dewan's reply.—The Deputy Commissioner will attend to individual representations which should be made at the time of Jamabandi and he will grant redress according to the merits of each case.

Subject No. 209.

Provision for the livelihood of those who pass examinations.

Summary of discussion.—Examinations are now made a necessary qualification for office. Several people who have passed examinations after great trouble and expense are suffering from want of employment. They should be provided for.

Dewan's reply.—It would be impossible for Government to employ every one who passes the prescribed examinations. Examinations only qualify for appointments.

Subject No. 210.

Impediment to free removal of private wood.

Summary of discussion.—Although raiyats are free to cut unreserved trees standing on their own lands, the orders are not given effect to. The trouble to which raiyats are put in consequence should be obviated.

Dewan's reply.—This again is a matter for individual complaint to local authorities.